

Public Information Meeting

Rule Development for a NOx RACT Program

Reasonably Available Control Technology



Presentation Outline

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- 2. County Designations and Affected Sources
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- 5. Extension of the Attainment Date
- 6. Specific Issues for Comment
- 7. Next Steps



General Areas for Comment

- ◆Information and data used in pertinent evaluations.
- ◆Proposed rule framework
- Proposed RACT requirements
- ◆Potential extension of the attainment date
- ◆Interaction between RACT and RACM



1. Background Information



CAA Regulatory Requirement

- ◆1990 Clean Air Act section 172(c)(1)
 - First version with NOx RACT requirement.
- ◆ Reasonably available control measures (RACM) for VOC and NOx as expeditiously as practicable with, at a minimum, RACT for major sources in ozone non-attainment areas.
- ◆Due to EPA: September, 2006
- ◆Compliance deadline: Ozone Season 2009



Basic premise and context

- ◆To meet basic CAA and State requirements
- ◆ Conduct analysis of RACT specifically for Wisconsin sources.
- ◆NOx RACT program alone ≠ O3 attainment.
- ◆ Develop RACM for attainment as second step in 2007.
 - (deeper cuts? more sources? broader region?).
- ◆CAA Pursue NOx reductions as "expeditiously as practicable" in demonstrating attainment.



2. 8-Hour Designations & Affected Sources



8-Hour Designations & Geography

"Moderate" designation

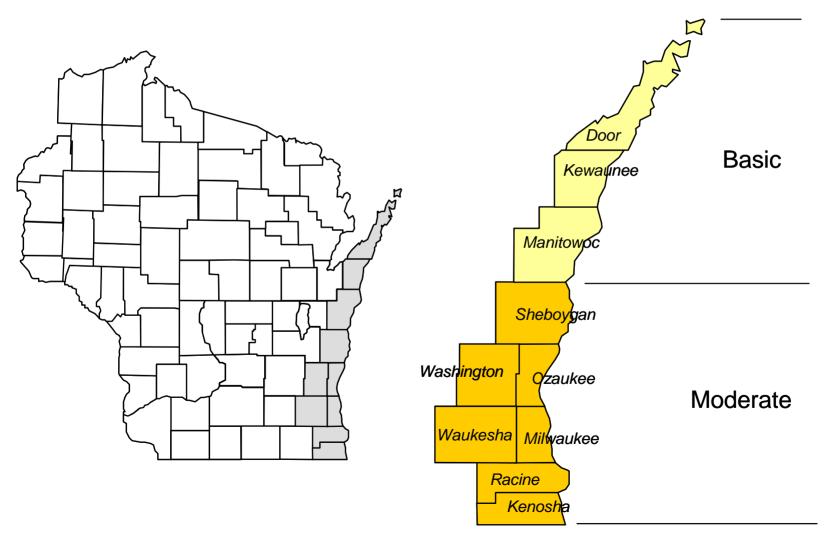
- Kenosha, Racine, Milwaukee, Waukesha, Washington, Ozaukee, and Sheboygan.
- RACT is required by 2009 with current designation.

♦ "Basic" designation

- Manitowoc, Kewaunee, and Door.
- RACT only <u>IF</u> an extension is requested to the attainment date beyond 2009.



Geography – 8 hour designations





Who are affected sources?

- ◆Major Source Unit's potential to emit.
- ◆"Moderate" = 100 Tons per Year
- ♦ "Basic" = 100 Tons per Year
- ♦ Wisconsin = combustion sources
- ◆Initial screening analysis: based on air emission inventory information (emissions, capacity, fuels) and standard emission rates.



Potentially affected sources

◆ Initial screening analysis identifying potential Major Sources and their 2002 actual NOx emissions by source category.

Source Category		
EGU Coal Boilers		
ICI Boilers		
EGU Turbines		
Lime Kilns		
Asphalt Plants		
Furnaces		
Process Heating		
Reciprocating Engines		
Total		

Moderate Area			
No. of Units	Annual NOx (tons)		
13	40,050		
16	420		
18	152		
28	110		
23	210		
5	130		
20	900		

123

41,972

Basic Area		
No. of Units	Annual NOx (tons)	
4	850	
2	40	
1	6	
2	145	
1	8	
2	10	
2	24	
14	1,082	



3. Proposed Rule Framework



Rule framework

◆RACT Requirement

- o Unit-by-unit
- Emission limit (annual and seasonal, 30 day rolling avg.)
- Combustion monitoring (CO & O2)

♦NOx Monitoring and Compliance

- EGUs = Total mass emissions (most stringent Part 75 cems)
- Non-EGUs = Emission rate (less stringent Part 60 cems)

◆Trading Provision (same as BART)

- Facility averaging through adopting a mass cap for all similar sources (e.g. boilers).
- Total mass emissions (most stringent Part 75 cems)



Potential EGU option

1. Compliance with the proposed RACT rule.

2. CAIR Option 2 - Potential integration of RACT requirement under the CAIR program.



4. Proposed RACT Requirements



Development of RACT requirement

- ◆CAA def. Available and Cost-effective
- ◆ "Available" EPA references, sector installations, equipment manufacturers, other state NOx rules, etc..
- **♦**"Cost-effective"
 - VOC RACT costs upwards of \$10,000 per ton
 - What is typical NOx control equipment as a minimum
 - Determine point of diminishing return
 (rapidly increasing cost versus reduction)

RACT Control Level

• Initial assessment of NOx control options (WDNR, 03/06)

Source Category	Control Level	Cost Effectiveness (\$/ton NOx)
Coal Boilers (> 250 mmbtu/hr)	80 - 90% Selective catalytic reduction	1,600 - 4,000
Coal Boilers (< 250 mmbtu/hr)	40 – 50% Selective non-catalytic reduction	1,500 – 5,000
Other Source Categories	30 - 50% Low NOx burners or mod.	500 - 2,500



5. Extension of the Attainment Date



Extension of Attainment Date

- ◆Any date beyond the 2009 ozone season.
- **♦** Moderate
 - Moderate to Serious designation
 - Major source 100 → 50 TPY.
- **♦**Basic
 - o Basic → Basic: (date prior to 2014)
 - RACT applies at 100 TPY



Extension of Attainment Date

- ◆RACT still applies on the same timeframe (2009).
- ◆RACM requirement: e.g. 2009 → 2012
 - A number of sources potentially affected by RACM would likely be subject to RACT on the same initial timeline (2009).
 - Remaining RACM sources by 2012.



Extension of Attainment Date

◆ Initial identification of additional sources subject to RACT with a 50 TPY threshold:

Source Category	Moderate Area	
	No. of Units	Annual NOx (tons)
EGU Coal Boilers		
ICI Boilers	14	36
EGU Turbines		
Lime Kilns		
Asphalt Plants		
Furnaces	5	43
Process Heating	6	36
Reciprocating Engines	12	98
Total	37	213



6. Specific Questions for Comment



Specific Questions for Comment

- Are proposed emission limits technically feasible and cost-effective?
- Can control equipment needed to meet emission limitations be installed by the 2009 ozone season?
- Should RACT sources be allowed to trade or average? If so what level of trading is appropriate?
- Should a provision for a case-by-case RACT determination be made available as an alternative to the categorical emission limits?



Specific Questions for Comment

- ◆ Are there other actions or source categories that should be considered under a stationary source RACT program?
- ◆Should RACT and RACM be addressed at the same time for RACT affected sources?
- ◆ What factors need to be considered in delaying the attainment date.



7. Next Steps in the RACT Rule Development



Next Steps

- ◆Stakeholders provide comment to specific questions.
- ◆Review technical data and information used for determining RACT.
 - Identification of Major sources
 - RACT control level and Requirements
- ◆Implementation and compliance issues

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